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Riddleberger has been nominated for United States Senator by the Republicans in Virginia. We hope he will be elected.

Hon. Frederick T. Frelinghuysen has been nominated and confirmed as secretary of state, in place of Secretary Blaine.

Senator Beck, Bourbon Democrat, has been re-elected Senator, by the Kentucky legislature, for six years from March 4th 1883.

A bill to reduce letter postage to two cents has been introduced in the House of Representatives by Mr. Anderson, of Kansas. It ought to pass.

The Saginaw Herald of Wednesday morning, in an able article vindicates the fair fame of Gov. Jerome from the maudlin assaults of an obscure democratic printer at Ionia.

The Post and Tribune says: "The Saginaw Herald is giving its readers sound doctrine, ably presented on the tariff question."

"That is a fact, and we think on most other questions Col. DeLand is politically sound, and eminently practically in his views."

On Tuesday the republicans elected the mayor and a largely increased representation in both branches of the city government in Boston. The first republican victory there in many years. In Keene, N.H., same day, the republicans elected the entire city ticket by a decided majority.

It is stated that there are 300 post-offices now vacant awaiting appointments by the President, and Mr. Hatton, first assistant postmaster general, is reported to have said, that there are now in Washington an average of, at least, five applicants for each of these vacant places.

Washington dispatches state that doorkeeper Brownlow will require a pledge of total abstinence from every one of his subordinates. If true, Brownlow steps to the front as one of the true friends of an honest discharge of the duties by the officers of the House of Representatives. We hope the dispatch is true.

Saturday's Post & Tribune says: "If the Sunday liquor law is made a dead letter, an appeal will be made to the people of the State to put its enforcement into the hands of judges in whose selection the saloon keepers have no voice."

We hope so. And if we rightly judge public sentiment in the rural districts, the appeal will not be made in vain.

The Post and Tribune of Wednesday says:

"Ten days have gone by since Christian Ternes was murdered," and asks, "what has been done to the persons who sold liquor to his murderer?"

That is a very pertinent question, and the people await prosecuting attorney Caplin's reply without much patience, owing to the long delay.

A telegram from Washington states that a gambling room in that city was recently raided by the police, and two congressmen gobbled up—they claiming to be there as spectators. The names of these congressmen would be entertaining reading to the people in at least two congressional districts, and might at the next election change a couple of names on the roll of the House. Let us have them.

On Friday morning John W. Forney, of Philadelphia, died at his residence in that city. For more than thirty years Mr. Forney had been a distinguished political leader, first in the democratic and then in the republican party. He was, also, an editor of one of the ablest of our political writers, and has left the impress of his decided ability on the page of the country's history, in connection with many of the stirring events of the three last decades.

We note with pleasure that the physicians who attended the late President Garfield have refused to send any bills to the financial agent of Mrs. Garfield, but will submit them to Congress—and Congress should promptly pay them all reasonable charges for their services. In declining to take pay for their services from the widow of the murdered President they have done a manly act, which will be warmly approved by the people, and we doubt not Congress will see them properly remunerated. Their bill amounts only to some \$80,000—the payment of which will impose no perceptible burden on the treasury.

A short session of the House of Representatives was held on Friday, and a committee of one from each state appointed on memorial of President Garfield, of which Mr. Horr is the Michigan representative. A resolution was, also, offered by Judge Taylor, of Ohio, for the appointment of a committee to audit the expenses of President Garfield's last illness. But objection being made to its immediate consideration, it went over for the time being, and the House adjourned until Tuesday.

The outspoken public demand for a more efficient naval force is properly voiced in the annual report of Secretary Hunt, and in fitting terms he urges Congress to take notice of the condition of the navy; of its inefficiency and total inability to defend American interests properly on our own seaboard, to say nothing about the necessities for a more efficient service in distant foreign ports, for the protection of our varied commercial interests. We hope that Congress will not neglect this important arm of the national defence, or fail to do all in its power, under the constitution, to give new life and vitality to American ship building, that the extensive commerce of the country may float on American steam ships which shall be inferior to none on the high seas.

William E. Chandler seems to be the favorite of the New England republicans as their representative. If they are to have one, in President Arthur's cabinet. It is true, that there is no man in the nation better fitted for a position among the President's confidential advisers, than Mr. Chandler. Nor is there any man who has done more for the triumph of republican principles in New Hampshire, the political battleground of New England; and we most heartily wish that President Arthur would invite him to some position for which his decided ability, and his unflinching integrity, so eminently fit him; say, that of Attorney General, where, pending the star route investigations, a man of his character and legal knowledge, is an imperative necessity.

It is to be deeply regretted, we think, that the government is coining and storing up legal tender dollars by the millions, in compliance with the sop thrown to the financial cranks, by the 45th Congress. By and by, and not in the distant future, these dollars will be returned to the melting-pot and the metal they contain be used for manufacturing purposes, at about 88 cents on the dollar. Meanwhile they are a standing menace to our business stability, and commercial prosperity, because of the fiat value attached to them. Let us hope the present Congress will so amend the law as to decrease the number required to be annually coined, and make the real value of such as are coined a dollar measured by the recognized standard, gold.

The bill introduced by Senator Sherman, of Ohio, to refund \$300,000,000 of the extended 3 1/2 per cent bonds by placing them on the market as 3 per cent bonds, is attracting considerable attention, owing more perhaps to the fact that as secretary of the treasury in the winter of 1880-1 he opposed the passage of a similar bill by Congress, than to the merits of the bill. But we think, Mr. Windom's success in extending at 3 1/2 per cent the 6 per cent bonds which fell due in July, fully justifies Mr. Sherman in his belief that, with the present favorable condition of the money market and the certainty that the government will deal honestly with all its creditors, a 3 per cent bond payable at the option of the government after five years will be promptly taken by the people to the amount named in his bill, and more if required.

The preservation of the purity of the ballot-box was one of the prominent issues in the late presidential election. On that issue more than any other one we carried the country; and it seems to us that the first and most important work, to be done House of Representatives, should be the ousting of several democratic members from the South, notoriously declared elected by the grossest frauds, and most infernal rascality. There is certainly one district each in North and South Carolina, Florida, Mississippi and Louisiana from which, with all possible dispatch, the sitting members should be sent home and their republican contestants admitted. Nor do we doubt there are several other districts the sitting members, from each of which, ought to be treated in the same manner, but the facts concerning the frauds practiced in these are not so notorious as in those first mentioned.

In all candor we submit that it is time to call a halt in the pension

business. It is publicly charged, in well-informed circles, that four-fifths of the pensions now being granted are obtained by downright perjury or forgery, or both, and we have reason to fear that the charge is true in a great many cases. Let every just claim be allowed, and clerical force enough be provided in the pension bureau to do the work promptly. But in every case the fact of the application, the names and reliability of the attesting witnesses, and the substantial facts in the case should be carefully investigated by a government official in the place where the applicant lives, and the justice of the application attested by such officer, before any increase, or arrearage, of pension should be paid. Again, a special agent of the department is needed to look after some of the parties already on the pension rolls in every county in the country; and we have no doubt that such an agent, if he properly did his duty, would in each county save to the tax payers annually a sum ten times greater than his compensation, besides being the means of protecting from unjust suspicion those persons honestly entitled to be paid pensions under the existing laws of the United States. We hope this matter may receive the prompt attention of Congress.

The safety and the worth of our national banking system are, from time to time, so plainly exhibited to the people, that we sometimes wonder that there is, in all the land, a financial crank, for no other man does it, who has the audacity to insult the intelligence of the average American citizen, by making assaults upon it. To illustrate the safety of the system look at the Pacific bank, of Boston. Had it been organized under any other system, known to this or any other country, than our present national bank system, not only would the stockholders lose all, as now, but the bills of the bank would be perfectly worthless. But under this system, those bills are worth just as much to-day, as are the bills of the first national bank at Owosso, and there are none better. The reason for this is that the government stands behind them, and holds as security for their redemption, enough of its bonds, the property of the bank, to secure from loss every holder of its circulation. The worth of the system, to the business interests of the country, is so fully attested by our present commercial prosperity and the unequalled premiums which our securities command at home and abroad, that it is needless to do more than call attention to our financial condition now as compared with it, under the state bank system from 1830 to 1860, to convince any candid man that any assaults on a system, that has produced results such as we are to-day enjoying, is a financial crank, not worthy of the slightest notice.

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Nov. 19, 1881.

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